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**COMMENTS:**

The following documents are attached:

1. Transmittal Letter and Fee Authorization; and
2. Response to February 4, 2003 Office Action.

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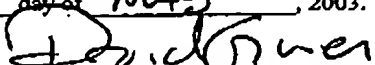
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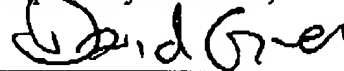
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231Re: Multi-Column FIB for Nanofabrication Applications  
App. No. 09/781,125

Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith for filing is Applicants' Response to the February 4, 2003 Office Action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$ 90.00 extra claim fee for five additional claims to Deposit Account 50-1635. If the Commissioner determines that any additional fees or extensions are required, Appellants request that such extensions be granted and any fees be charged to Deposit Account 50-1635. A duplicate copy is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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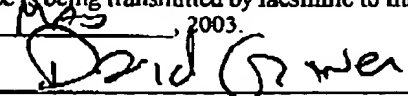
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